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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.115

Honorable Commissioner for Patents U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Randolph Building, Mail Stop Amendments 401 Dulany Street Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

This paper responds to the Office Action (final rejection) dated October 13, 2010. The time for responding is being extended up to and including April 13, 2011, by the accompanying Petition for Extension of Time and payment of the requisite fees.

Also submitted herewith is a Request for Continuing Examination (RCE) and the requisite fee.

Amendments to the claims appear in the Listing of Claims beginning at page 2 of this paper.

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